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INVENTION: METHOD FOR OPERATING INTERFACE MODULES IN
AN ATM COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE

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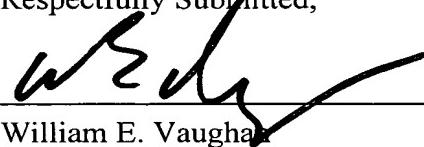
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references listed on Form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claimed invention is distinguishable and non-obvious over the enclosed references, taken singly or in combination.

Accordingly, early consideration and allowance of the application, including the claims, are hereby requested.

Respectfully Submitted,


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